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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Hugh R. Sharkey et al. Art Unit : 3739
Serial No. : 09/895,609 Examiner : D.M. Ruddy
Filed : June 29, 2001
Title : SURGICAL INSTRUMENT HAVING DISTAL FACE WITH FIRST AND
SECOND ELECTRODES

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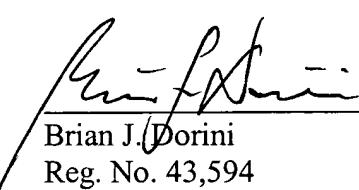
PETITION FOR THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136, applicant hereby petitions that the period for response to the action dated July 24, 2002, be extended for three months to and including January 24, 2003.

Enclosed is a check for \$930 for the required fee. Please apply any other charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

Respectfully submitted,

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